



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Patent Application of)

HIRAYAMA et al.)

Application Number: 10/067,333)

Filed: February 7, 2002)

For: MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM AND MAGNETIC)
RECORDING SYSTEM USING THE SAME)

Attorney Docket No. HITA.0161)

Art Unit 1773

Examiner
Rickman, Holly C.

Honorable Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

COVER LETTER

Sir:

[x] The fee for submission of claims is calculated as shown below:

| FOR | TOTAL WITH NEW CLAIMS ADDED | TOTAL CURRENTLY ON FILE | CLAIMS PAID | RATE | CALCULATION |
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| Total Claims | 9 | 9 | -XX (Over 20) | x \$50 | 0 |
| Independent Claims | 4 | 4 | 1 (Over 3) | x \$200 | 0 |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) | | | | + \$360 | 0 |
| REDUCTION FOR FILING BY SMALL ENTITY (note 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9, 1.27, 1.28). | | | | x ½ | |
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In addition, the below-identified communications are submitted in the above-captioned application or proceeding:

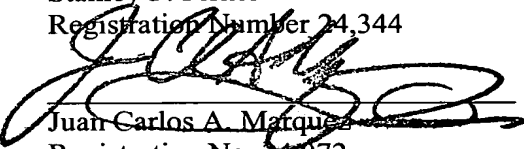
[x] Response to Office Action
(with Claim Amendments)
[] Substitute Specification
[] Preliminary Amendment
[] Information Disclosure Statement

[] Petition for Extension of Time
[] Terminal Disclaimer
[] Letter to Draftsperson
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action dated November 30, 2004, in the above-identified application, the period for response is set to expire on April 30, 2004, with a two-month extension of time. Please amend the above-identified application as follows: